



US Army Corps
of Engineers
Seattle District

Public Notice of Application for Permit

Regulatory Branch
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Seattle, Washington 98124-3755
Telephone (206) 764-3495
ATTN: Ron Wilcox, Project Manager

Public Notice Date: November 21, 2005
Expiration Date: December 21, 2005
Reference: 199802053
Name: Tacoma Public Utility

Interested parties are hereby notified that a revised application has been received for a Department of the Army permit in accordance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for certain work described below and shown on the enclosed drawings. The work was previously described in Public Notice No. 1998002053, dated October 29, 1998. The revision, as shown on sheets two through five, consists of increasing the amount of lake bed material to be excavated from 150 cubic yards to 2,387 cubic yards, and increasing impact area to 21,878 square feet vice the originally proposed 4,450 square feet.

APPLICANT: City of Tacoma
Department of Public Utilities
3628 South 35th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98409-3192

ATTN: Mr. Bret Forrester
Telephone: (253) 502-8782

LOCATION: In Alder Lake Park, in Section 10, Township 15 North, Range 4 East, near Alder, Pierce County, Washington.

WORK: Excavate up to 2,387 cubic yards of lake bed material and discharge up to 905 cubic yards of fill material (including riprap, 3-inch minus ballast, cast-in-place concrete, and fill cement for one guide pole) to construct a 325-foot boat launch extension. The impact area to the lake bed will be 21,878 square feet (4,913 square feet of new launch area and 16,965 square feet of slope stabilization).

PURPOSE: Increase boat launch capacity of Alder Lake Park, especially during low water periods.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The originally permitted action was not able to be completed due to variable reservoir fluctuations which yielded insufficient duration of low water levels to complete the work. Tacoma Power has subsequently identified a need to adjust grades along the sides of the boat launch to prevent erosion. The steep slopes directly adjacent to the extended launch will be regraded and armored with riprap to prevent deposition of material on the ramp and to minimize impacts due to wave action.

The proposed boat launch construction will extend 325 feet from approximately the mid-point of the existing launch at lake elevation 1190-feet down to lake elevation 1151-feet. The total length of the existing and extended boat launch will be 382-feet. The launch will be 14-feet wide and constructed with cast-in-place concrete. Construction will only occur in the dry at low lake levels.

MITIGATION: None proposed.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The Endangered Species Act (ESA) requires federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and/or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) pursuant to Section 7 of ESA on all actions that may affect a species listed (or proposed for listing) under the ESA as threatened or endangered or any designated critical habitat. The bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) listed threatened, marbled murrelet (*Brachyramphus marmoratus*) listed threatened, spotted owl (*Strix occidentalis*) listed threatened, in the state of Washington, may occur in the proposed project area. For marbled murrelet and spotted owl critical habitat has been designated.

A preliminary determination indicates that the activity will not affect endangered or threatened species, or their critical habitat, designated under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. Consultation under Section 7 of the ESA is not required.

ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT: The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996, requires all Federal agencies to consult with the NMFS on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency, that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH). The proposed action would not impact EFH for Pacific salmon.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) has determined that the proposed action will not adversely affect designated EFH for federally managed fisheries in Washington waters. No further EFH consultation is necessary.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The District Engineer has reviewed the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places, lists of properties determined eligible and other sources of information. There are no recorded historic properties within the permit area. The permit area has been so extensively modified by modern development that little likelihood exists for the proposed project to impinge upon an undisturbed historic property. The District Engineer invites responses to this public notice from Native American Nations or tribal governments; Federal, State, and local agencies; historical and archeological societies; and other parties likely to have knowledge of or concerns with historic properties in the area. This public notice initiates consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800.4[a][3]), with any Tribe that has information or concerns with historic properties in the proposed permit area.

PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Native American Nations or tribal governments; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for the work. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general

environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

The proposed discharge will be evaluated for compliance with guidelines promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency under authority of Section 404(b)(1) of the Clean Water Act. These guidelines require an alternatives analysis for any proposed discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States.

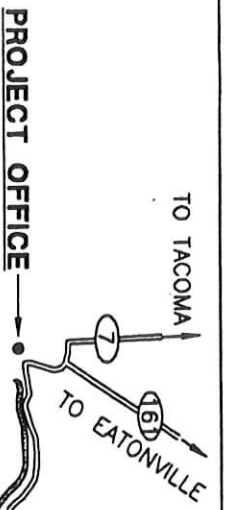
ADDITIONAL EVALUATION: The State of Washington is reviewing this work for consistency with the approved Washington Coastal Zone Management Program and for compliance with the applicable State and Federal water quality standards pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

This proposal is the subject of a Shorelines Substantial Development Permit to be processed by Pierce County.

COMMENT AND REVIEW PERIOD: Conventional mail or e-mail comments on this public notice will be accepted and made part of the record and will be considered in determining whether it would be in the public interest to authorize this proposal. In order to be accepted, e-mail comments must originate from the author's e-mail account and must include on the subject line of the e-mail message the permit applicant's name and reference number as shown below. All e-mail comments should be sent to Ronald.J.Wilcox@usace.army.mil. Conventional mail comments should be sent U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Branch, Post Office Box 3755, Seattle, Washington, 98124-3755. Both conventional mail and e-mail comments must include the permit applicant's name and reference number, as shown below, and the commentor's name, address, and phone number. All comments whether conventional mail or e-mail must reach this office, no later than the expiration date of this public notice to ensure consideration. Please include the following name and reference number:

Tacoma Public Utilities, 199802053

Encl
Drawings (7)



DIRECTIONS-

**PROJECT OFFICE-
LAGRANDE DAM AND
POWERHOUSE**

FROM TACOMA AREA DRIVE SOUTH ON I-5 TO STATE HWY. 512 EAST AND FOLLOW FOR 2.1 MILES TO PACIFIC AVE./MT. RANIER EXIT. TURN RIGHT ON PACIFIC AVE. (HWY. 7) AND CONTINUE SOUTH 5.1 MILES PAST THE "ROY Y". CONTINUE ON HWY. 7 FOR 21.1 MILES AND TURN RIGHT INTO DRIVEWAY OF LAGRANDE HYDROELECTRIC PLANT.

ADDRESS: LAGRANDE POWERHOUSE, 46502 MOUNTAIN HIGHWAY EAST,
LAGRANDE, WASHINGTON, 98348

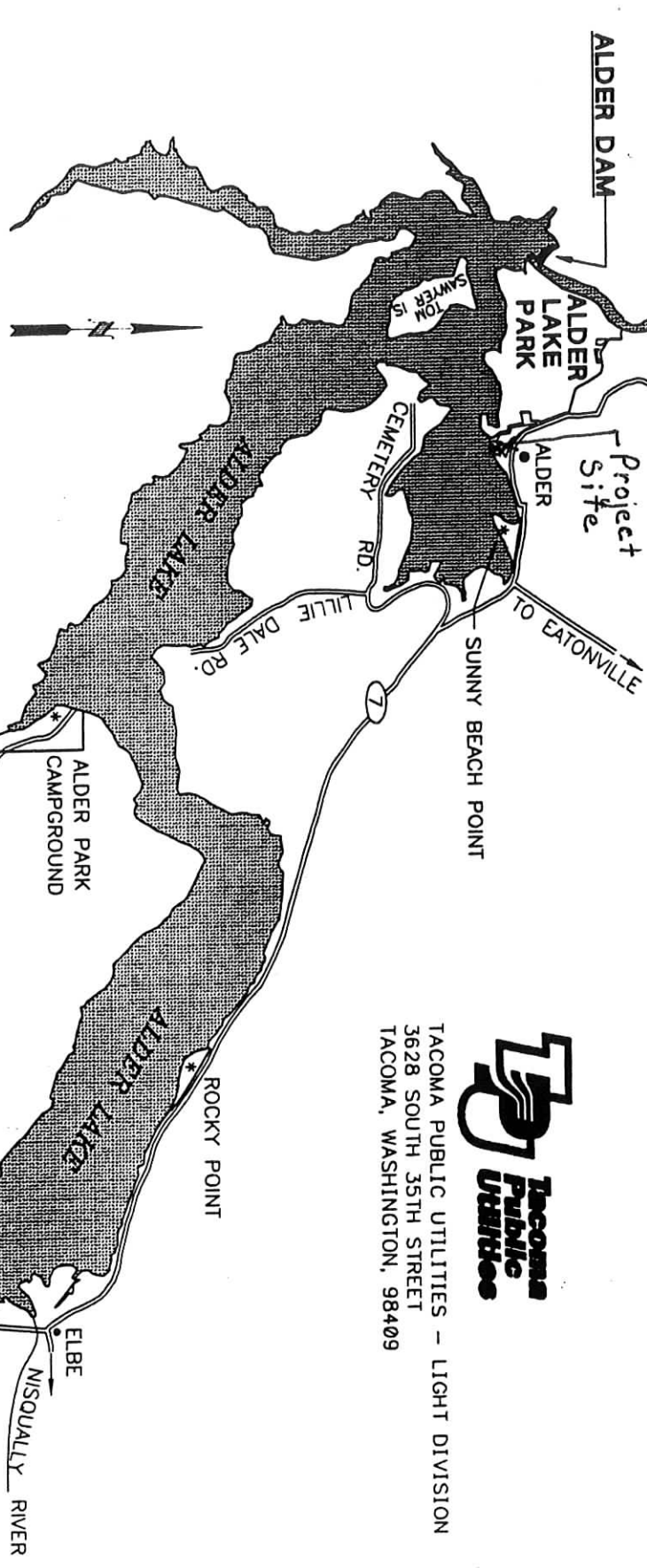
**ALDER LAKE PARK-
ALDER DAM**

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ADDRESS: 10524 ALDER LAKE DAM ROAD EAST, ALDER, WASHINGTON

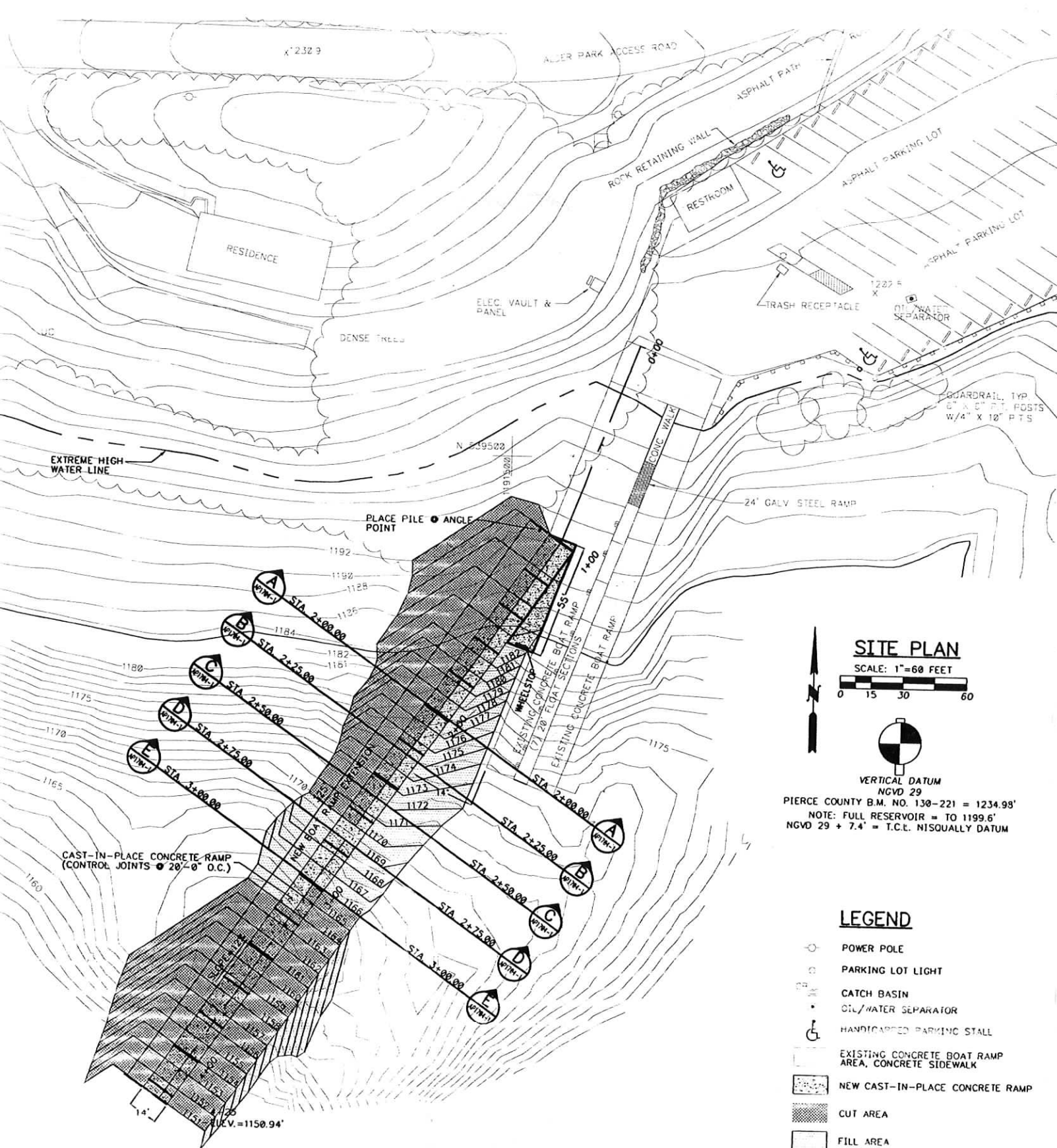


TACOMA PUBLIC UTILITIES - LIGHT DIVISION
3628 SOUTH 35TH STREET
TACOMA, WASHINGTON, 98409



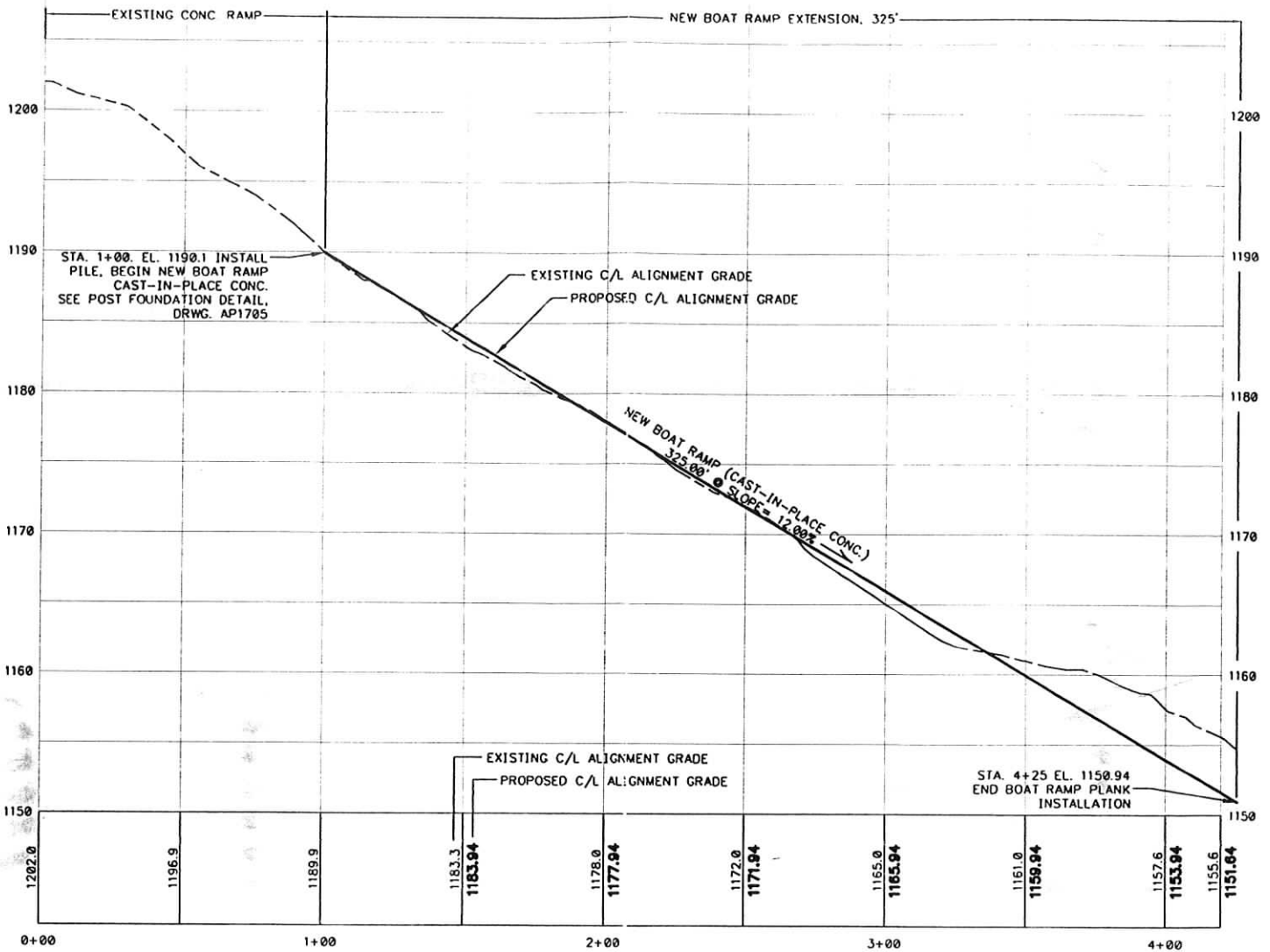
LOCATION MAP

Corps Reference: 1998002053
Applicant: City of Tacoma, Dept. of Public Utilities
Project: Extend Boat Launch
Location: Alder Lake Park
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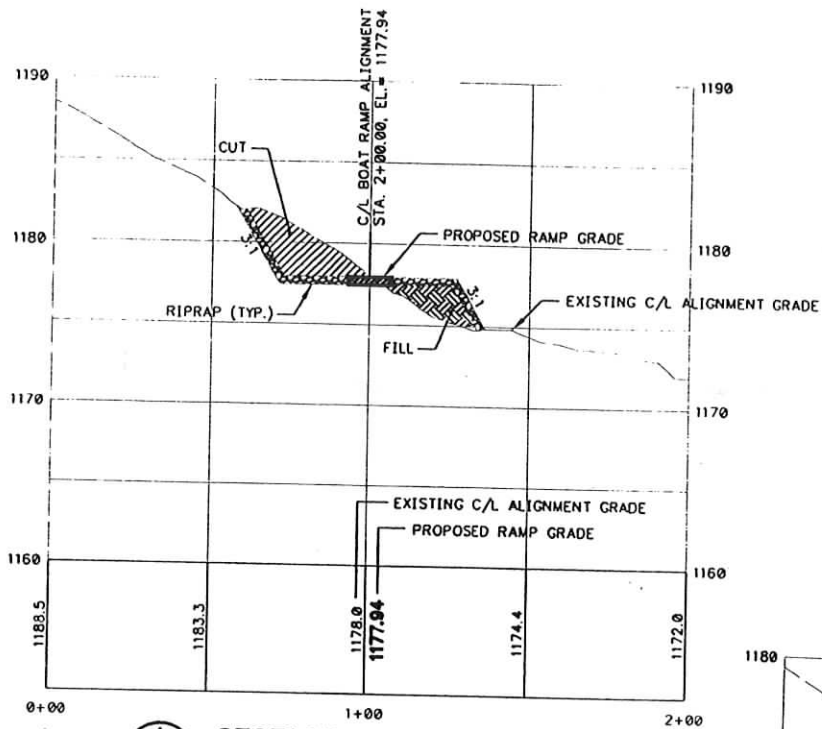


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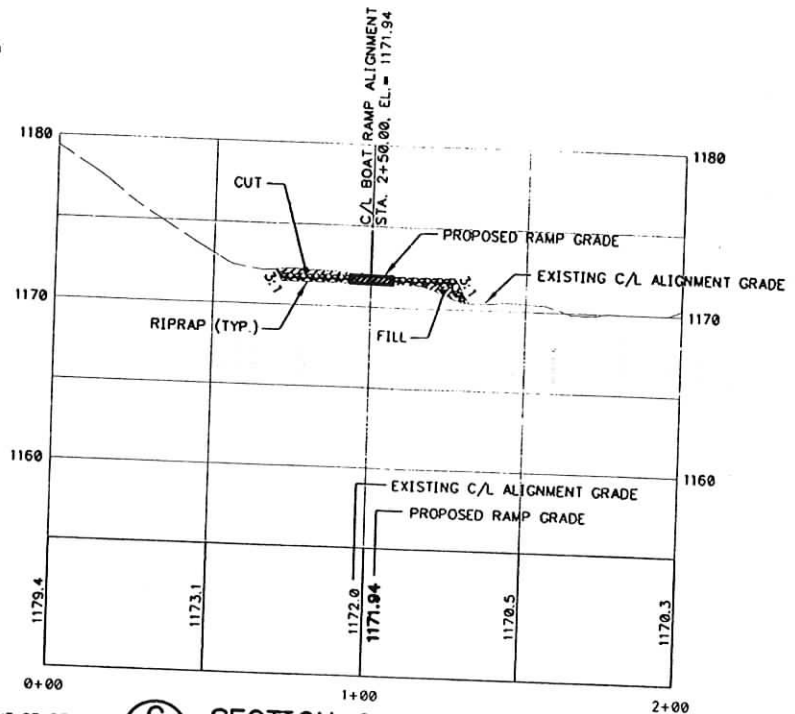
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 VERTICAL SCALE: 1 INCH = 12 FEET

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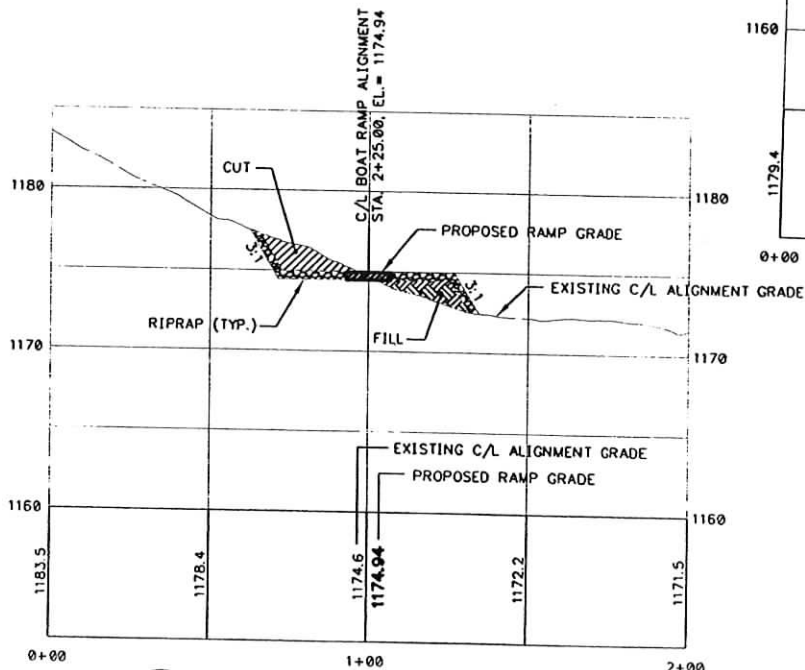
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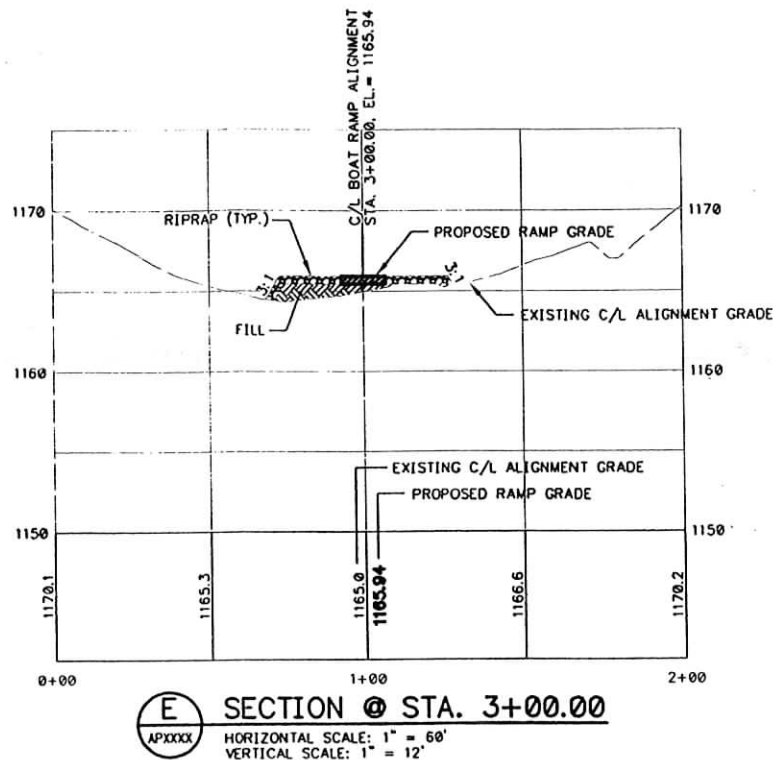
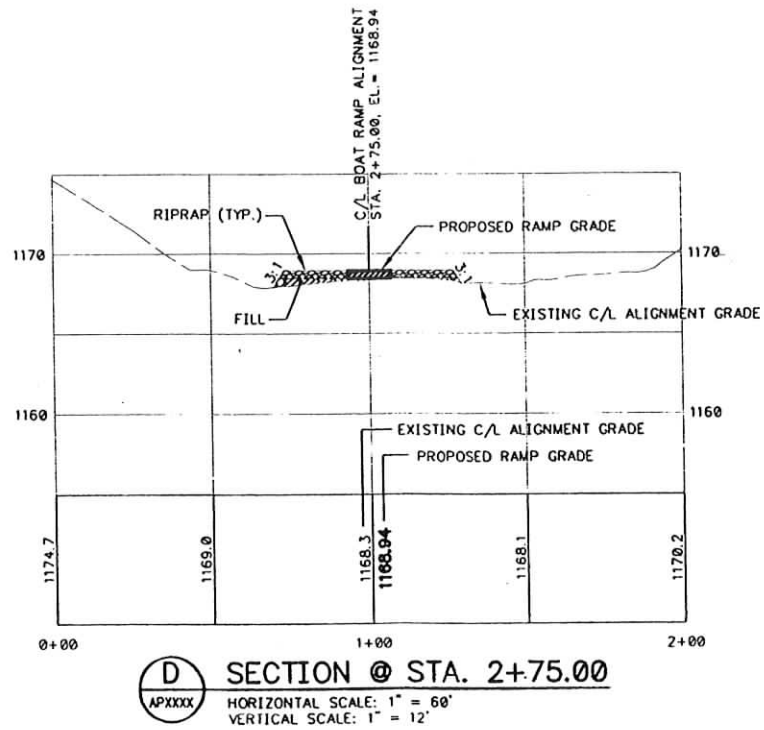


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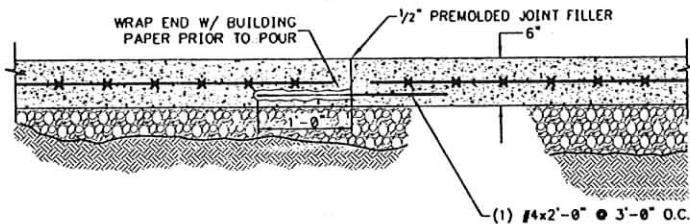
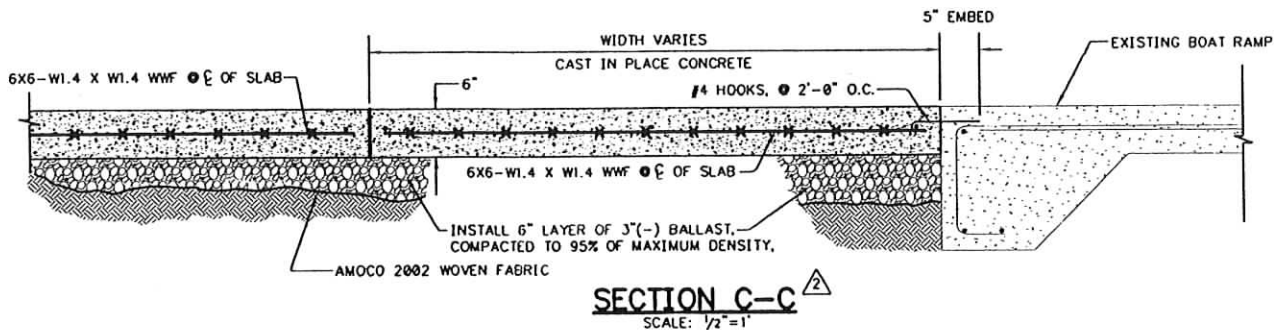
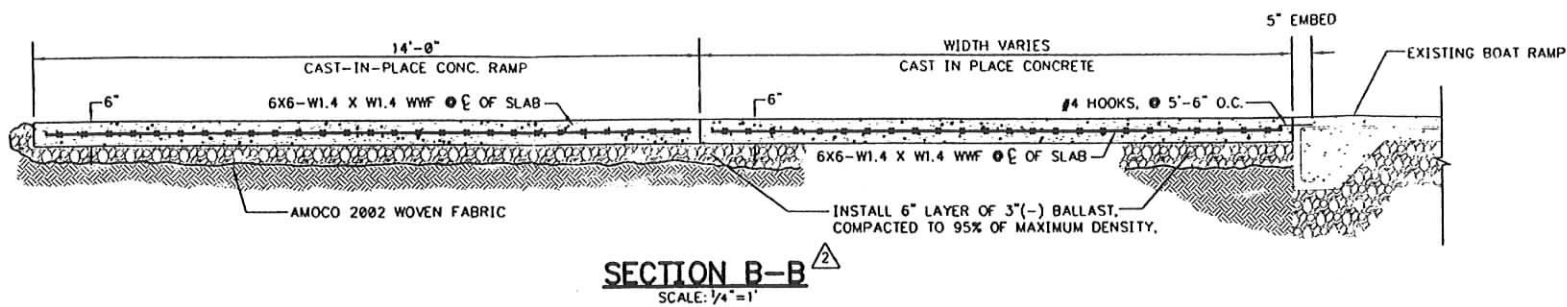


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NOTE: PROVIDE JOINTS EVERY 60'-0" O.C.

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TYPICAL EXPANSION JOINT

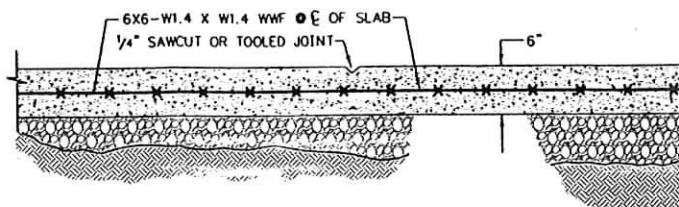
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NOTES:

1. CONCRETE TO BE CLASS 3000.
2. CONTACT CITY PRIOR TO POURING TO INSPECT REBAR & VERIFY REQUIRED SCREED.
3. ALL FINISHES SHALL BE HEAVY RAKED TO MATCH EXIST. RAMP.

REFERENCE DRAWINGS

AP1704 ALDER PARK, BOAT LAUNCH EXPANSION, SITE PLAN

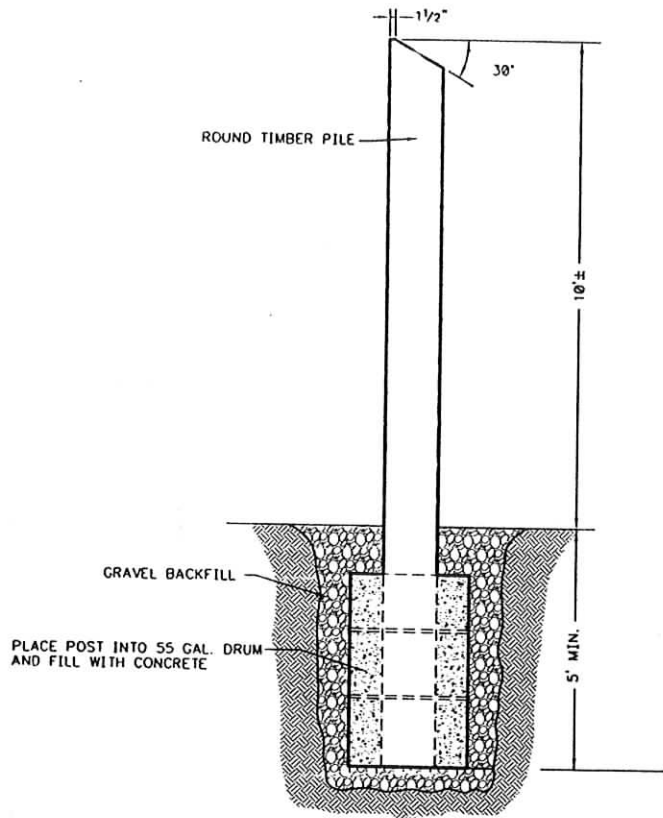


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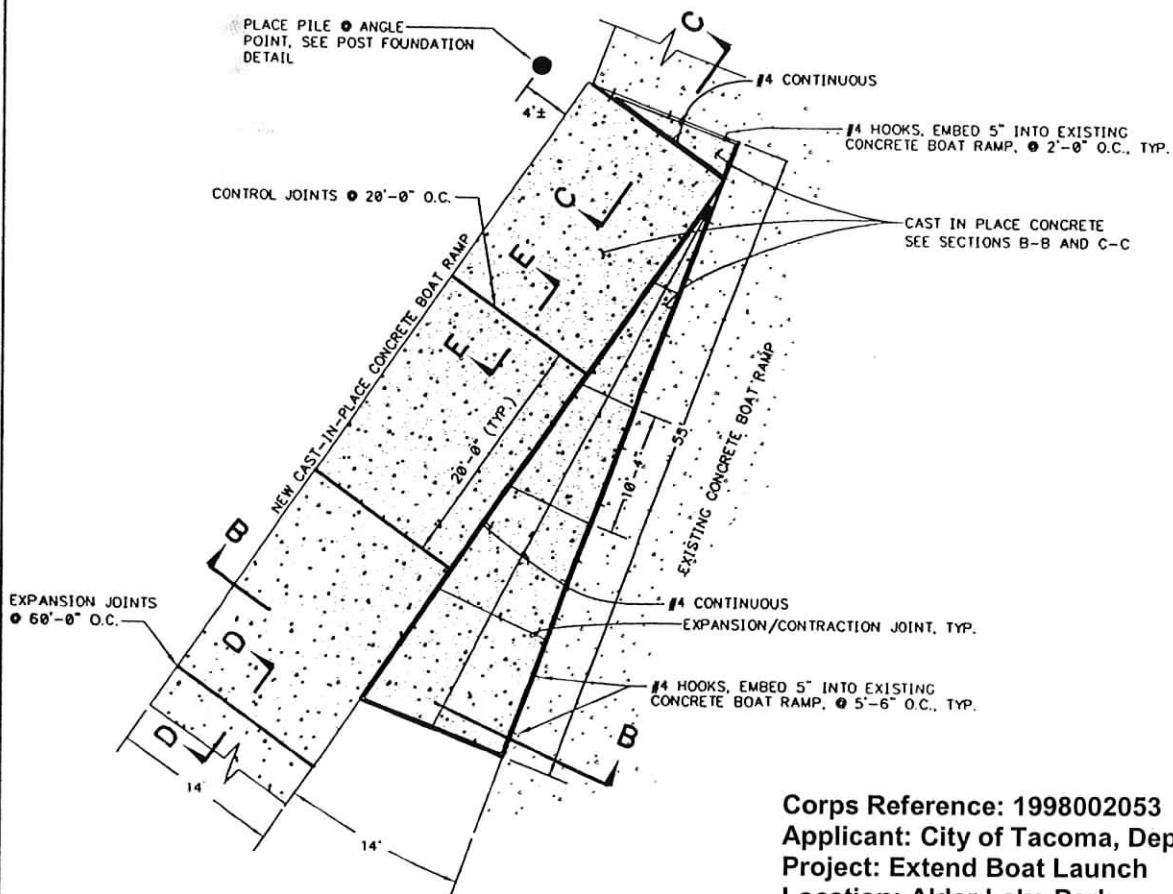
TYPICAL CRACK CONTROL JOINT

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DETAIL-POST FOUNDATION 1
SCALE: 1/4"=1'



BOAT RAMP EXPANSION PLAN
SCALE: 1/16"=1'

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STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

Notice of Application for
Water Quality Certification
and for
Certification of Consistency with the
Washington Coastal Zone Management Program

Date: November 30, 2005

Notice is hereby given that a request has been filed with the Department of Ecology, pursuant to the requirements of Section 401 of the federal Clean Water Act of 1977 (PL 95-217), to certify that the project described in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Notice No. 199802053 will comply with the Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Act, and with applicable provisions of State and Federal water pollution control laws.

Notice is hereby given that a request has been filed with the Department of Ecology, pursuant to the requirements of Section 307© of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1451), to certify that the above referenced project will comply with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program and that the project will be conducted in a manner consistent with that program.

Any person desiring to present views on the project pertaining to the project on either or both (1) compliance with water pollution control laws or (2) the project's compliance or consistency with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program may do so by providing written comments within 30 days of the above publication date to:

Federal Permit Coordinator
Department of Ecology
SEA Program
Post Office Box 47600
Olympia, Washington 98504-7600